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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

We draw the attention of the Examiner to the attached English-language version of a Search Report from a foreign office in respect of counterpart Georgian Patent application No. AP 2003 008631 that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office. The Search Report makes consideration of any non-English art required. MPEP 609.

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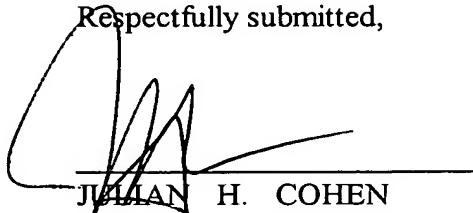
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U. S. Patents 4,593,834; 4,690,297 and 6,302,290 are the English language parallel documents for cited references SU 1389674, SU 1431672 and RU 2173292.

Form PTO-1449 is also attached with reference copies (first page only for U.S. patent publications).

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Search Report

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The search was carried out in relation to the object(s) established (please see the Message-Request #13251 of date 02.11.2005) in the Patent Application on the basis of which the Search Report including the data for defining the State of Art has been drawn up.

I Classification of the subject matter		
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Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim #
Y	Inventors' certificate SU 1389674 A3 Шмальбах-Лубека АГ Cl. B65D 17/00 15.04.88	1, 2, 4, 6 and 11
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Y	Russian Patent RU2186012 C2, Мороз Ю.А., Смеловский В.Л. Cl. B65D 17/00 27.07.2002	1, 2, 4, 11 and 12
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AA	4,593,834	06/1986	Hoft, et al.	
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	AO	2 186 012	07/2002	RU		X
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